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Documents considered to be relevant:

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X	1,6,9 at least	US 5546131 (US Philips Corp), see column 1, lines 33-63 (esp lines 39-40 & 54-59) & figs
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